

- 27. The encasement of claim 26, further including an RF antenna embedded in 1
- 2 the encasement portion.
- 28. An electronically-enabled encasement for a handheld computer, the 1
- 2 encasement comprising:
- 3 an encasement portion configured to cover at least a portion of the handheld
- 4 computer; and
- a communication port on the encasement that extends communications 5
- 6 through another communication port of the handheld computer to the handheld
- 7 computer.
- The encasement of claim 28, further comprising a coupling engageable with 1 29.
- the handheld computer to detachably couple the encasement with the handheld 2
- computer. 3

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- 1 30. The encasement of claim 29, wherein the coupling includes a spine, the spine
- being engageable with an accessory slot of the handheld computer to detachable 2
- couple the encasement to the handheld computer. 3
- The encasement of claim 28, wherein the coupling snugly fits the handheld 1
- 2 computer with the encasement.
- The encasement of claim 28, wherein the communication port of the 1 32.
- encasement is a connector capable of mating with a serial connector of the handheld 2
- 3 computer to extend communication to the handheld computer.

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- 1 33. The encasement of claim 28, further comprising cable embedded in the
- 2 encasement that connects the communication portion on the encasement to the
- 3 handheld computer.
- 1 34. The encasement of claim 28, wherein the encasement portion comprises a
- 2 front portion that extends over the display surface of the handheld computer, and a
- 3 back portion that extends over the back surface of the handheld computer.
- 1 35. The encasement of claim 34, further comprising a joint to moveably couple
- 2 the front portion to the back portion.
- 1 36. The encasement of claim 28, wherein the communication port is an infrared
- 2 port or a radio frequency port.
- 1 37. The encasement assembly of claim 28, further comprising at least one
- 2 electronic component embedded in the encasement portion.
- 1 38. The encasement of claim 37, wherein the electronic component is selected
- 2 from the group consisting of wireless modem, voice recorder, digital camera,
- 3 keyboard, cell phone, solar cell, rechargeable battery, GPS system, battery
- 4 recharger, memory, connector for multi-media cards, memory stick, accessory
- 5 cartridge, compact flash card and phone card.
- 1 39. The encasement of claim 37, further comprising a serial connector capable of
- 2 mating with another serial connector of the handheld computer to extend
- 3 communication of the electronic component to the handheld computer.